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Viewing cable 08TRIPOLI923, GOL SEEKS TO TURN THE PAGE ON LINGERING HUMAN RIGHTS ISSUES

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Reference ID	Created	Released	Classification	Origin
08TRIPOLI923	2008-12-01 10:44	2011-08-30 01:44	CONFIDENTIAL	Embassy Tripoli

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RUEHAS/AMEMBASSY ALGIERS PRIORITY 0828
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SUBJECT: GOL SEEKS TO TURN THE PAGE ON LINGERING HUMAN RIGHTS ISSUES

REF: A) TRIPOLI 882, B) TRIPOLI 920 CLASSIFIED BY: Chris Stevens, CDA, Embassy Tripoli, Department of State. REASON: 1.4 (b), (d)

[1](#). (C) Summary: A group of older political prisoners, many of whom are in ill health, may be released soon in connection with talks that have A GROUP OF POLITICAL PRISONERS MAY BE RELEASED SOON

[2](#). (C) xxxxxxxxxxxx(strictly protect) told us on November 26 that the Government of Libya may release "within days" a tranche of 40-60 politic POTENTIAL MOVEMENT ON ABU SALIM MASSACRE NEGOTIATIONS

[3](#). (C) Separately, xxxxxxxxxxxx said there had recently been movement on negotiations between the GOL, QDF and families of the victims of those

[4](#). (C) xxxxxxxxxxxx argued that two things need to happen to unstick the negotiations, which have been heavily featured in externally-based of 1) the GOL should increase the amount of compensation offered to families, and; 2) families must abandon claims for "unreasonable" sums. xxxxxxxxxxxx said there is increasing awareness by GOL and QDF officials that the amc GOL/QDF SEEK TO CLEAR THE DECKS OF LINGERING ISSUES

[5](#). (C) Framing efforts to secure the release of political prisoners and compensation for families of those killed in the Abu Salim massacre, x